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Mark W. Dewhirst, D.V.M., Ph.D., is the Gustavo S. Montana Professor of Radiation Oncology and director of the Duke Cancer Institute’s Radiation Oncology Program. He also is associate dean for faculty mentoring in Duke University School of Medicine. His research interests include tumor hypoxia, angiogenesis, hyperthermia, and drug transport, and his work has been funded by the NIH for more than 30 years. He is a Fellow of the American Society for Radiation Oncology and a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Dr. Dewhirst has authored or co-authored more than 500 peer-reviewed publications, book chapters, and reviews, and his works have been cited more than 15,000 times in professional scientific journals. He has given named lectures at the University of Western Ontario, Thomas Jefferson University, and the New Zealand Cancer Society. Dr. Dewhirst was awarded the Failla Medal from the Radiation Research Society in 2008, the Eugene Robinson Award for excellence in hyperthermia research in 1992, and a similar award from the European Society for Hyperthermic Oncology in 2009. He is a senior editor of Cancer Research and editor-in-chief of the International Journal of Hyperthermia. He has mentored 20 graduate students, more than a dozen postdoctoral fellows, and many medical students. His skill in mentoring has been recognized by the Duke Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Medical Physics Graduate Training program, and the School of Medicine. Dr. Dewhirst graduated from the University of Arizona in 1971 with a degree in chemistry and from Colorado State University in 1975 and 1979 with D.V.M. and Ph.D. degrees, respectively.

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Gustavo S. Montana, M.D., was a professor in Duke’s Department of Radiation Oncology and chief of the Division of Oncology at the Durham Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Active in the multi-modality therapy of patients with lung malignancies, Dr. Montana studied patterns of patient care and the impact of age on patient outcomes at the Durham VA Thoracic Oncology Clinic. When he retired in 2001, Duke University established this professorship to honor him. Dr. Montana lives in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and continues as a Duke clinical professor in radiation oncology.

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